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For: IMAGE PROCESSING APPARATUS FOR **COMPRESSING IMAGE DATA WITH** OPTIMUM COMPRESSION METHOD CORRESPONDING TO IMAGE SIZE

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INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This is in response to the final Office Action dated December 18, 2003 (Paper No. 9). Reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims, as amended, in light of the remarks presented herein are respectfully requested.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this paper.